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In re Application of:

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Serial No.: New U.S. Patent Application

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For: DYE COMPOSITION CONTAINING

1,8-BIS(2,5-DIAMINOPHENOXY)3,5-DIOXAOCTANE, AN ADDITIONAL

OXIDATION BASE AND A COUPLER,
AND DYEING PROCESSES

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Examiner: Unassigned

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicant submits the following remarks:

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- 1. <u>DE 43 14 317</u> This document is believed to be a foreign language counterpart of U.S. Patent No. 5,616,150 submitted herewith. In addition, this document is cited in the French Search Report submitted herewith.
- 2. <u>DE 43 35 623</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith. In addition, this document is cited in the French Search Report submitted herewith.
- 3. <u>DE 43 35 628</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith. In addition, this document is cited in the French Search Report submitted herewith.
- 4. <u>DE 196 30 275</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith. In addition, this document is cited in the French Search Report submitted herewith.
- 5. FR 2 586 913 An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith. In addition, this document is cited at page 13 of the specification.
- 6. WO 92/13824 An English language abstract of this foreign language document can be found on the title page of this document. In addition, this document is cited in the French Search Report submitted herewith and at page 2 of the specification.

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7. WO 97/49378 - An English language abstract of this foreign language document can be found on the title page of this document. In addition, this document is cited in the French Search Report submitted herewith.

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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application. If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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